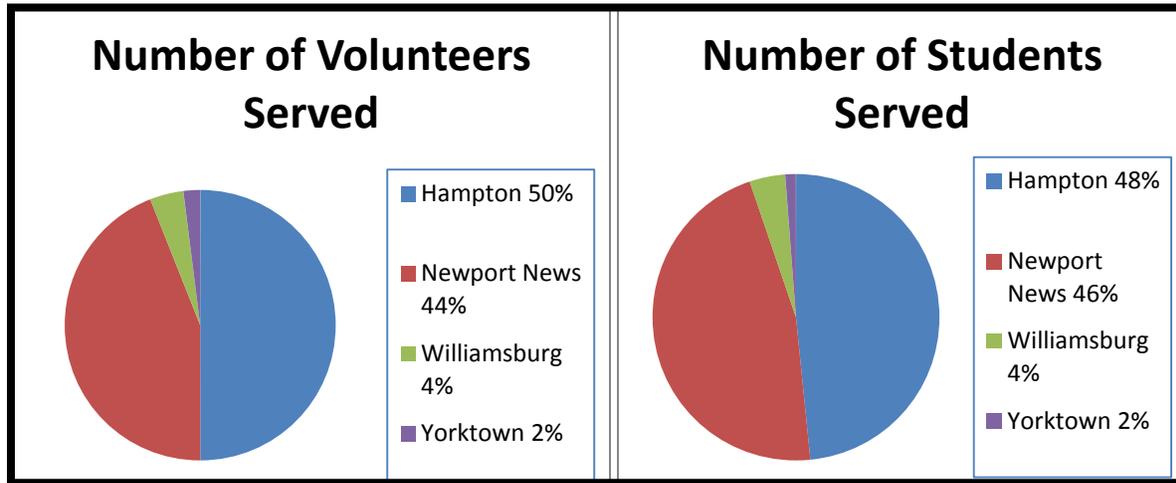


Greetings,

I am very excited to share what the program accomplished during the 2012/2013 program year. There were 108 Foster Grandparents serving in 32 locations, Hampton (55), Newport News (47), Williamsburg (5) and the Counties of James City and Yorktown (1). The volunteers served 566 children; Hampton (275) Newport News (261), Williamsburg (25) and Yorktown (5), and read 2727 books, while volunteering 110,415 hours. That's over a **100,000** hours people!

Please see graph below to illustrate:



Based on teachers post assessments of volunteers serving students in Elementary School and Head Start Programs:

- 100% of the students served in Head Start Programs showed an improvement in Phonological Awareness, Book Knowledge and Appreciation, Print Awareness, Early Writing and Alphabet Knowledge.
- 62% of the students served in Elementary School scored a 75% or higher on their English Benchmark.

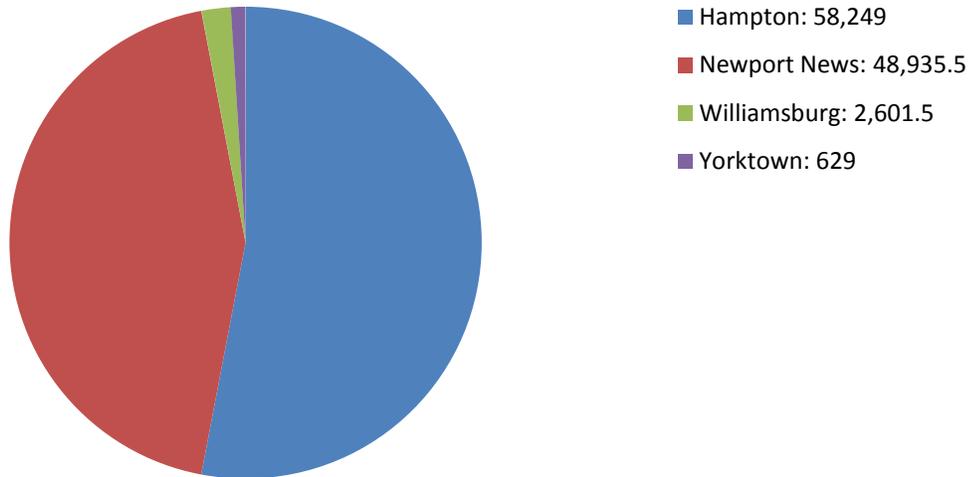
Overview:

The Program has also been a valuable part of the communities in which it operates. Foster Grandparents and staff participated in several local community events which allow us to promote the benefits of the program to the public and to recruit new volunteers. These events includes: Annual MLK Day of Service, SALT Senior Safety Summit, Hampton Triad Senior Health Fair, City of Newport News Park and Rec. Intergeneration Summer Camp. During the annual MLK day of Service the program solicited school supplies from the local communities and volunteers and received over 1600 school supply items which were donated to the Office of Human Affairs. Furthermore, the program was featured on the City of Hampton channel 47 television station and addressed the impact the program was making in the community. The program partnered with Hampton City School 21st Century (STEM) Summer Program and provided academic and mentoring assistance. Also, the program received approximately \$4500 of cash donations from local businesses and community partners.

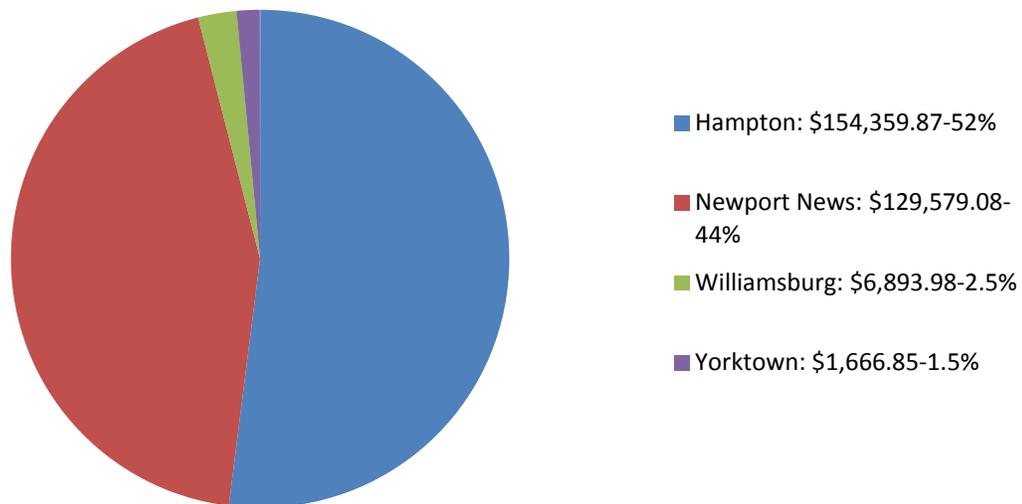
In addition, the volunteers received a total of **\$292, 599.75** in stipend payments, which they use to pay medical bills, rent and purchase medications and food.

Please see graph below of stipend payments and hours served:

Volunteers Hours Served



Stipend Received



Conclusion:

The Peninsula Foster Grandparent Program is providing a valuable service to the communities in which it operates. Based on evaluations, observation, test scores, and educational assessments, children's lives are being changed in a positive way. The lives of the volunteers participating in the program are being enhanced by the experience. The identified strengths of the program are maintained and enhanced and any weaknesses found are continually being evaluated for ways of improvement.

-Jason Samuels,
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